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## WILL OBSERVE "MOTHERS' DAY" IN PHOENIX

SECOND SUNDAY OF MAY DEDICATED TO MOTHERS.

White Carnations the Symbol of the Day.

The second Sunday of May will be "Mother's Day," the holiday ordained for the honoring of "our Mothers." It will be observed in Phoenix, as elsewhere in the country, by sermons in the city churches reminiscent of the mother's influence, and by the wearing of white carnations by men and women who want to devote the day to "her" memory.

Since the idea of Mother's Day originated several years ago it has become one of the most cherished holidays of the American people, although observed more extensively throughout the eastern and middle portions of the country than in the southwest. The originators of the day were explicit in declaring the purpose of the holiday. It was not instituted for any single creed, class, race or country, but its object is to honor every mother, "the best mother who ever lived--your own." The tribute of the day is loving remembrance of mothers, or their memory, through some distinct act of kindness, visit or letter. The floral badge is the white carnation. Its whiteness stands for purity; its form, beauty; its fragrance, love; its wide field of growth, charity; its lasting qualities, faithfulness--all a true mother's attributes.

Men and nations differ as to the fitness of many holidays, but all have united in the movement the purpose of which was to exalt the home and motherhood in a way that adds to the integrity of domestic and national life. Phoenix will not be behind the other cities of the west in setting a day apart to the memory of the mothers, and the pastors of the churches which will hold services appropriate to the day, will expect to see the auditorium filled with men and women wearing white carnations.

## COLD WAVE ROLLS OVER EASTERN STATES

LAKE REGION AND RIVER VALLEYS HAVE HEAVY FROSTS.

Phoenix Temperature Falls During Last Week.

The latest reports from the United States weather bureau states that a cold wave is sweeping over the valleys of the Missouri and Ohio rivers, and over the great lakes into Canada. So sudden has been the fall in temperature that in Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Ohio and eastern Pennsylvania the thermometer showed a drop of from 15 to 29 degrees within twenty-four hours after the cold wave was first reported in the upper portions of the Missouri valley. The first indication of a fall in temperature was noticed last Sunday morning and during the last three days the thermometer has been falling lower in the states mentioned, and there is no indication of an immediate rise in temperature.

Since Sunday morning the temperature at Williston, North Dakota has dropped to 16 degrees, Fahrenheit, Winnipeg, Manitoba, reports 20 degrees, and Moorhead, Minnesota, 20 degrees. A light snow fell on the upper lake regions Monday night, and in Nebraska, Minnesota, and Michigan, while rain fell over the Gulf and Atlantic states.

Heavy winds blew along the Atlantic coast yesterday from the west and southwest, reaching a velocity of from thirty to fifty miles per hour, and heavy rain was reported from Montgomery, Alabama, where there was a fall of 1.62 inches, from Montreal, Canada, where there was a fall of 1.72 inches and from New Orleans, where there was a fall of 1.44 inches. A damaging frost was suffered in Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, and Wisconsin last night, and the cold seems to be generally prevalent all through the north eastern and north central portions of the country. The highest temperature recorded yesterday was from Jacksonville, Florida, where the thermometer registered 74 degrees, and the lowest was from Williston, North Dakota, where the mercury fell to 16 degrees.

In the report which was mailed at the first of the month by L. N. Jesumofsky, observer of the Phoenix station to the chief of the government weather bureau at Washington, the record of the rainfall for April was given, which shows that Phoenix has lost 41 inches of rainfall during the last month. The average for the month of April is 44 inches and during the entire month there was but .02 inches of rainfall. It is improbable, says Director Jesumofsky that there will be much rain during May, as the average for the month is only .02, and the humidity is rapidly going out of the air. The report shows that the volume of heat has been decreasing in Phoenix during the last week at a rate of 3 degrees per day. This may be due to the cold wave prevailing in the east, which will not extend to the southwest, but may have a slight effect in the temperature of the regions lying outside the direct zone of the disturbance.

## NEW RESIDENT MADE WELCOME

Little Courtesies Which May Have Large Results.

There was once a northern man who purchased a home in a southern city, and in due time arrived on the scene, together with his family and his servants, and his household goods. On the day of their arrival in the neighborhood, the neighbors, in good old southern fashion, sent in great trays of beaten biscuit and fried chicken and a hot beverage to refresh the newcomers. The northern man was amazed and indignant. He ordered the kerchiefed tray-bearers away with the sharp assurance that he and his family were not objects of charity. If he was amazed, his neighbors were more so. Their advances had never before been repelled, and they were shocked and bewildered.

When we moved to New York from the south we bore this incident in mind, says a writer in the Woman's Home Companion, and determined to keep in our places, no matter how hard it might be. Imagine our surprise then to be invited to lunch with our across-the-hall neighbors! Perhaps it was wiser not to be too generous with one's hospitality in a city like New York, but I have known some lasting friendships to result from just such informal hospitality. When one is moving into a new apartment, and one must wait indoors until the wagons come, and there is

no way to reach the grocer or the milkman, a little friendliness is not amiss.

There is a pleasant custom in the smaller cities and country towns of welcoming the new minister's family with a "surprise party," which is generally a contribution party to the ministerial pantry as well. How delightful it would be if the women's clubs or church societies were to welcome the new business man's wife or the professor's wife in the same manner. The surprise party, less the contributions, would be a cheering welcome to the lonely little woman who is trying to find herself in your town. Her husband is away all day, and she has to stay indoors and wait for the express wagons or some thing which fails to come on time, and she hasn't a servant or a telephone. She wishes she could run in and ask some one about the nearest laundry and the best milkman and the cleanest grocer store.

One woman recently welcomed a newcomer in charming fashion. The new resident was doubly lonely, for she was not only new to the town, but new to housekeeping. She had been married exactly two weeks, but determined to keep the neighbors from knowing it. She was from a far-away state and could not think of the little trips home that brides delight in. It didn't take Mrs. Old Resident long to decide that Mrs. New-comer was a charming girl, and so she called on Mrs. New-Comer and helped her to straighten out her bridal possessions and told her that she was giving a neighborhood luncheon for her.

Mrs. Old Resident and Mrs. New-Comer then put their heads together and planned the luncheon. It developed that Mrs. New-Comer knew something about water colors, and so she did the place cards. The luncheon was a success and Mrs. New-Comer felt that she had been welcomed.

## FAMILY HAS A BULLETIN BOARD.

Telephone Calls and Other Matters Posted.

A family bulletin board has proved a boon to one large family, none of the members of which are blessed with very long memories. This particular one was made by putting a sheet of white celluloid into an old picture frame and backing it with white cardboard. At one side a cord hangs, bearing a thick soft pencil. A small blackboard or a large slate would have done equally well, says the Woman's Home Companion.

On the bulletin board the family post notices of particular interest which they have forgotten to impart at breakfast or dinner. One day's substance ran like this:

"Had a letter from Mary Smith--she wants Tom to send her the address of that dealer where he bought the blue pitcher--Sue."

"Won't be home to dinner to night. --Tom."

"Mrs. Henderson 'phoned, wants mother to call her up as soon as she comes in--Jean."

And so it goes. Messages, callers, telephone calls, lost and found articles are tabulated here for the benefit of all. Occasionally some one pastes up a squib or joke or bit of verse which the rest of the family will enjoy.

## ON THE TRAIL OF THE EMERALD

Emerald ranks close to the diamond in hardness. It exceeds the diamond in value, perfect emeralds bringing \$150 a karat. The sparkling green jewel is rare; therefore it is prized highly.

At the southern extremity of California an emerald hunt has been on for five years, says the World Today. Prospectors in San Diego county, close to the Mexican border, are hot on its trail. They have found beryl of all colors; pale blue beryl, its huespocket of green beryl lying in a vein

rippling like the sheen of the ocean's blue, pink beryl, yellowish beryl, beryl of all tints except one. They have not yet found the grass-green beryl, the true emerald of their dreams, but they are on its trail, hopefully hunting.

The blue and the pink beryl sell for \$12 a karat. Green beryl--emerald--is cheap at ten times this price. And a karat is not large. A hundred thousand dollars' worth of emeralds could be carried easily by a small child hidden in a very small bag. A small stone was found in the San Diego hills nine years ago.

underneath a wall of rock would make the finder wealthy.

They dream of emerald pockets out there on the border of tumultuous Mexico. The emerald's green luster haunts them, drives them into the hills, into the desert, on the eager quest. Some day, perhaps, the dream will come true, the blow of the pick will lay bare a nest of the sparkling gems that have been the goal of all prospectors since the first precious stones were found in the San Diego hills nine years ago.



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